



TO: ELIGIBLE HAZARD MITIGATION GRANT PROGRAM
SUB-GRANT APPLICANTS

DATE: May 20, 2010

SUBJECT: DR-1884 HAZARD MITIGATION GRANT PROGRAM (HMGP)

The California Emergency Management Agency (Cal EMA) is announcing the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) for the California Severe Winter Storms, Flooding, and Debris and Mud Flows. Approximately \$10 million is available to fund cost-effective mitigation projects or the development of local multi-hazard mitigation plans. The federal share may not exceed 75 percent of the total activity cost, \$3 million for projects, \$150,000 for multi-jurisdiction plans and updates and \$75,000 for single jurisdiction plans and updates. State and local governments, special districts, public colleges and universities, and certain private non-profit organizations are eligible to apply.

To receive federal funding for hazard mitigation projects, sub-grant applicants must demonstrate that they will have an approved Local Hazard Mitigation Plan at the time of award. Cal EMA will review sub-grant applications to ensure that the proposed activity is in conformance with the goals and objectives of that plan.

The state-established program priorities are enclosed with this notification. Application activities that are not consistent with the state-established priorities will not be ranked. Please consider the priorities when selecting your mitigation activity.

All sub-grant applicants will be required to submit a Notice of Interest (NOI). A separate NOI is required for each proposed activity. Cal EMA will only accept project and planning activity NOIs from sub-grant applicants in declared counties, state agencies, and any statewide sub-applicants who submitted an eligible but unfunded application in the 2010 Pre-disaster Mitigation (PDM) grant program. The PDM activity must be resubmitted in a new HMGP application. The declared counties are Calaveras, Imperial, Los Angeles, Riverside, San Bernardino, and Siskiyou.

The NOI will be available on the Cal EMA web site at www.calema.ca.gov on June 17, 2010, and must be submitted to Cal EMA electronically. The NOI must be received by Cal EMA no later than 5:00 pm on July 19, 2010. No late NOIs will be accepted. Cal EMA will review the NOIs and provide a determination via e-mail. An approved NOI is required for each sub-grant application submitted. Each applicant will be restricted to a maximum of two applications.

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Those submitting approved NOIs will be notified of the availability of the DR-1884 HMGP application. The application and the list of ranking factors will be available on the Cal EMA website on July 15, 2010. Sub-grant applications must be submitted to Cal EMA by 5:00 pm on November 22, 2010.

If you have any questions, contact the Hazard Mitigation Branch at (916) 845-8150.

Important Dates:

June 17, 2010 -- NOI available on Cal EMA website

July 19, 2010 -- NOI due to Cal EMA

July 15, 2010-- Application available on Cal EMA website

November 22, 2010 -- Application due to Cal EMA

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Kirby Everhart", with a long, sweeping horizontal line extending to the right.

KIRBY EVERHART
State Hazard Mitigation Officer

PROGRAM PRIORITIES FOR DR-1884 HMGP

The current funding estimate for DR-1884 is approximately \$10 million. The state has established the following specific priorities (all activities are equally weighted):

1. Project Activities:

- Applications will be restricted to Sub-applicants who are:
 1. Within the declared counties (Calaveras, Imperial, Los Angeles, Riverside, San Bernardino, and Siskiyou).
 2. State Agencies
 3. Statewide sub-applicants who submitted eligible but un-funded 2010 Pre-disaster Mitigation grant program applications and wish to resubmit that same activity in a new application.
- All sub-applicants selected for project funding consideration must provide a letter that demonstrates their efforts to ensure that an approved plan will be in place within the expected time frames leading to award. Cal EMA will review Sub-grant applications to ensure that the proposed activity is in conformance with the goals and objectives of that plan.
- Federal Share may not exceed \$3 million. Performance Period may not exceed 3 years.
- All sub-grant applicants will be required to submit a Notice of Interest (NOI).
- Each applicant will be restricted to a maximum of two applications.
- Eligible project activities include but are not limited to:
 1. Flood mitigation projects. Specifically, flood barriers, culverts, and basins.
 2. Elevation or acquisition of repetitively damaged structures and structures in high flood hazard areas.
 3. Fire mitigation projects, specifically, defensible space, ignition resistant materials, and fuels reduction activities.
 4. Structural and non-structural seismic retrofits.

2. Planning Activities:

- Applications will be restricted to Sub-applicants who are:
 1. Within the declared counties (Calaveras, Imperial, Los Angeles, Riverside, San Bernardino, and Siskiyou).
 2. State Agencies
 3. Statewide sub-applicants who submitted eligible but un-funded 2010 Pre-disaster Mitigation grant program applications and wish to resubmit that same activity in a new application.
- Federal Share may not exceed \$150,000 for multi-jurisdiction new plans and updates.
- Federal Share may not exceed \$75,000 for single jurisdiction plans and updates.
- All sub-grant applicants will be required to submit a Notice of Interest (NOI).
- Each applicant will be restricted to a maximum of two applications.
- All Planning activities must result in an approved and adopted Local Hazard Mitigation Plan (LHMP) that is either:
 1. New Multi or Single jurisdiction LHMP developed in accordance with Section 322 of the Stafford Act.
 2. A comprehensive review and update of an existing LHMP to meet the five year plan update requirement under 44 CFR Part 201.